

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: BROWNING et al.)	
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Application No.: 10/077,137)	Group Art Unit: 1645
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Filed: February 15, 2002)	Examiner: P. Duffy
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For: BAFF RECEPTOR (BCMA), AN)	
IMMUNOREGULATORY AGENT)	Confirmation No.: 2907
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 29, 2006, the period for response having been extended to March 29, 2007, by a request for extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application and claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2.

Remarks accompanying this Amendment begin at page 11.

Attachments to this reply include:

1. Petition for Extension of Time
2. Huntington et al., International Immunity 18:1473-1485 (2006)
3. van Kooten et al., Curr. Opin. Immunol. 9:330-337 (1997)
4. Stuber et al., J. Exp. Med. 183:979-989 (1996)
5. Liu et al., Nature 423:49-56 (2003)